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STRAWS SHOW THE WIND'S DIRECTION

It was such a trifling matter, a little tot asking the relief committee for a high chair and the immediate response when the Bonanza was asked to print the request, the delivery of the chair to the committee and the latter presenting it to the child—it was such a trifling matter that hardly deserves publicity, but it does at that. It demonstrates the Tonopah spirit so beautifully. Less than two hours after the little one expressed its wish it was gratified. The people of Tonopah are willing to do anything for the benefit of those in need, but they act most quickly and most liberally when the matter is put up to them in some specific form.

The Bonanza would guarantee that if the relief committee phoned a request for an invalid's chair or the money to purchase one for a "shut-in" it would be only a matter of a few minutes after the request was read that it would be complied with. For this reason the Bonanza suggests to the relief committee that it daily, or as frequently as necessary, note specifically what will assist any who may be in need. The Tonopah spirit will do the rest.

SEEK THE BASER METALS

THIS will be the banner season for the production of the useful metals, included in the latter being non-metallic minerals, such as quicksilver, potash, niter, etc. Nye county is practically unexplored for anything except gold and silver, there having been little attention paid even to lead and copper, yet there is probably as great wealth in the non-noble minerals as in silver and gold.

What this country has lacked is intelligent prospecting. It is only recently that its cinnabar deposits have been worked, and now they are heavy and highly profitable producers. Sheelite, wolfrinite, huebnerite and other tungsten ores are being found broad east, while antimony shipments are being made from hitherto neglected veins.

The sun is driving the snow from the hills. It will not be long before conditions will be ideal for prospecting. Let the treasure seeker keep his eye peeled for gold or silver float, let him scan rock closely for indications of copper, lead or zinc, but he should be particularly attentive to the other substances, which have lately advanced tremendously in price. A little reading of geology, mineralogy and a collection of U. S. G. S. bulletins, as well as appliances for simple field tests, will add many chances in favor of the prospector.

TIME IS PROPITIOUS FOR MINING OPERATIONS

AS late as 1914 the mining industry was lagging behind in the matter of ore production. Silver, copper, lead and zinc had reached such low prices that the profitable mining of these metals was in some instances a dubious proposition. Now, however, the situation has changed, and the base metals, as well as silver, are salable at highly profitable figures, with every prospect that these better quotations will be maintained, or only slightly modified, for many years to come. In the entire history of mining there never was a time when the outlook regarding metals of all kinds was more favorable. This state of affairs naturally has led to increased activity in the mining camps and has stimulated public interest in mining. Much fresh capital has lately been invested in the western mineral fields and much more no doubt is available. In fact, the present time is propitious for financing new enterprises and rehabilitating old companies that own promising properties, but lack funds for development work.

Why there are so many dormant mining companies, that under prevailing conditions could be refinanced and operated at a profit, is hard to understand. The blame in many instances does not lie with the promoters and managers but is more frequently due to the lackadaisical attitude of the shareholders, who refuse to supply additional funds for further operations when the treasury becomes exhausted.

In any legitimate mining company a great deal depends upon competent management and the officers in charge must shoulder grave responsibilities; yet their best efforts frequently are rendered abortive by the lack of support of the stockholders at a critical time. Development work in a mine may have progressed to a point where success is in sight, when the treasury becomes nil. Perhaps a thousand dollars or so additional may be needed to make the mine a meritorious producer. Unless the officials of the company advance these funds out of their own pockets or can induce the stockholders to contribute their pro rata share of new capital, the mine ultimately may be sold for debts and taxes, although it might easily have been converted into a dividend-payer.

Now is the proper time for officers and shareholders of dormant mining companies to hold counsel together and formulate plans whereby idle properties may again become active, says the Mining Record. All conditions in the mining industry are absolutely favorable and there can be no worthy excuse for permitting any good mining claim to remain unproductive.

Colonel Roosevelt says that President Wilson is afraid of nobody but himself and the kaiser. Is this some version of the "Me unt Gott" utterance?

A casual and unobserving visitor said on leaving town: "Tonopah has nothing but its mines." Well, how about its climate?

A dog in a muzzle is worth two in a pound.

CLIPPED AND CREDITED

Speaking of war literature, what about "Notes on the Lusitania," in sixteen volumes?—Atlanta Constitution.

An Eastern woman is suing a railroad for \$2,000,000. "Aim high" is evidently her motto.—Detroit Free Press.

Now it is said that beer is rising in price in Germany. If so the end of the war is not very far distant.—Florida Times Union.

The trouble with Mr. Root is that he is not a good mixer. Nobody thinks of affectionately calling him "Rootsky."—Atlanta Journal.

A prominent New York doctor says the tobacco habit is easily stopped. But there are sundry millions of men with no desire to stop it.—Buffalo Courier.

After a five mile chase, a city constable arrested a man who had stolen a cue ball. Most pool players prefer to let the cue ball on the table.—Harrisburg Patriot.

A woman suffrage movement is reported from the state of Yucatan, Mexico. If there is any kind of trouble that Mexico hasn't experienced will some one please name it?—Albany Argus.

A St. Louis woman wants a divorce because her husband washes his feet in the dishpan, but the chances are that she would also want one if he didn't wash them at all.—New Orleans States.

MOVIES USE ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF SILVER

But little consideration is given to sources of consumption of the various metals. It will be of interest to learn that the moving picture industry consumes annually an amount of silver equal to the year's production of the State of Nevada—approximately 15,000,000 ounces, says the Mining World. There are about 20,000 picture houses in the United States using approximately 120,000,000 feet of film regularly. The average life of

a film is three weeks. It is estimated that 15,000,000 ounces of silver per year are used for sensitizing.

QUICK ACTION

Chief Evans telephoned to the Bonanza office last evening half an hour after the papers were on the street that some one, noting the request that a high chair be donated to the relief work, appeared on the scene with such a piece of furniture, so the little tot found her prayer answered in big time.



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